

N-373

373  
22 19 40  
FBI REGISTRY

CHINA PRESS.

SEP 19 1940

# **Censors Active Again Blank Spaces Fill Local Chinese Dailies**

Settlement censors again swung into action on the eve of the "Shanghai Incident" anniversary and deleted from leading Chinese newspapers here the anniversary statement issued by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and editorials dealing with the incident.

Worst hit by the censorship action was the Chinese-American Daily News, American-registered publication, whose front page contained several columns of blank space. Generalissimo Chiang's uncensored photograph towered over the space allotted to the statement.

Both the leading editorial of this issue of the paper, "Not to be Forgotten for Nine Generations," and another article, "We Must Continue to Resist," were not published by order of the censors.

## **News Item Censored**

Even a news article of the paper, describing the precautions taken by authorities here, and some of the headlines, were taken out by the censors from the local news page, while on the educational page, columns of news about student activities were also suppressed.

Sharing the same fate with the Chinese-American Daily News was the National Herald which, however, made no attempt to publish Generalissimo Chiang's statement. Among articles censored by Settlement authorities was the leading editorial "Revelation of History."

## **"Ambitions" Described**

According to an official of the paper, the censored editorial described the "ambitions" of the Japanese and pointed out that when Japanese troops marched into Shanghai they were not only not welcomed but only on the condition that they should not enter the city.

*Reid*

7-11-40

SEP 19 1940

## Chiang's Speech Cut Out of Local Press

### Municipal Censors Delete Anniversary Editorials

General Chiang Kai-shek's broadcast speech made in connection with the anniversary of the Manchurian Incident yesterday and several other news articles and comments were taken out by the Shanghai Municipal Council press censors, forcing two leading Chinese dailies here again to leave big blank spaces in their yesterday's issues.

Half of the front page of the "Chinese American Daily News" was originally meant for the publication of the speech, but the whole speech had been censored. The paper was forced to publish only the picture of General Chiang on the blank front page. Chinese in Shanghai were very much impressed by the blank space, and in a sub-editorial the paper expressed deep regret.

It was revealed in this editorial that any material in connection with the anniversary had been censored. Mr. G. G. Phillips, secretary and Commissioner General of the Shanghai Municipal Council, was said to have notified the Chinese papers of the information that could be published, giving a limit. The notifications were served on July 12. Even information relating to the contribution campaign for raising money for making winter uniforms for Chinese soldiers was forbidden to be published.

*R. J. J.*

1111

FM 8  
G. 40W-140  
CHH

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

Section I, Special Branch.

REPORT

Date September 19, 1940.

Subject..... September 18 Anniversary - passes off quietly.

Made by..... and..... Forwarded by..... D. S. I. Logan.

The anniversary of the Mukden Incident (1931) which fell on September 18 passed off quietly without untoward incident. A small quantity of national salvation literature was surreptitiously disseminated in the Central and Louza Districts on September 17 and 18.

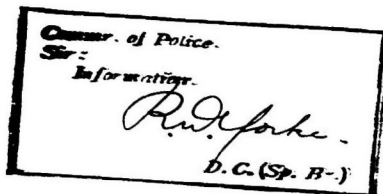
A list in tabular form, giving a brief summary of the contents of the literature and the place of distribution, is attached hereto together with specimens of the handbills.



*D. S. I. Logan*

D. S. I.

D. C. ( Special Branch ).



FILE  
1-2-4

INDEXED BY  
(S. I.) REGISTRY  
DATE 20/ 9/ 40  
aw

## National Salvation Propaganda

### Literature

1. Coloured paper slips purporting to have emanated from the Preparatory Committee of the Shanghai Headquarters of the Revolution Young Men's Party

(中國革命青年克德總部發)

2. Handwritten paper poster purporting to have emanated from the "Anti-Savagery & Self Salvation Society".

(抗暴自救會)

### Summary of Contents

Containing slogans of a national salvation nature, such as :-

- a) Down with Japanese Imperialism which is invading China !
- b) To commemorate the Sept. 18 Anniversary, hot blooded youths should fight back to their old homes !
- c) Down with the puppet bodies which are making peace through capitulation !
- d) Support the Generallissimo in the war of Resistance to the bitter end.
- e) Let the youths unite and do their best towards national re-construction !

Apart from relating the fall of North East to the Japanese on September 18, 1931 and the present invasion on Chinese territory by Japanese, the poster urges the people to support the war of resistance and national re-construction.

### Time & Place of Distribution

Nanking and Chekiang Roads corner at 8.55 p.m. September 17.

Canton and Yu Ya Ching Roads corner at 9.20 p.m. September 17.

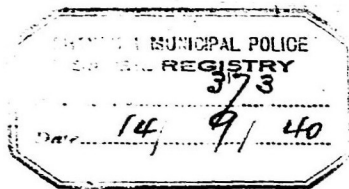
Thrown from running trolley bus on Yu Ya Ching near Canton Road at 9.15 a.m. 18/9/40.

Nanking Road between Kwangse and Yu Ya Ching Roads at 2.10 p.m. 18/9/40.

Posted on electric light pole on Nanking near Shantung Roads in the morning of September 18.

**FILE**

**CONFIDENTIAL**



**SPECIAL BRANCH, S.M.P.**

**September 14, 1940**

**Anniversary of the Occupation of Manchuria by  
Japan (1931) - September 18**

There is as yet no indication that local radical elements will take advantage of this anniversary to carry out an organized propaganda campaign and/or demonstration.

Enquiries among public bodies, refugee camps and schools ascertained that they will not hold any meetings or undertake any other form of activity. Local theatres, amusement houses, including the Roof Gardens of the four Department Stores on Nanking Road, intend closing on September 18, as they have done on previous occasions, while schools, factories and commercial concerns will carry on as usual.

It is probable that supporters of the Kuomintang will observe the anniversary by resorting to surreptitious dissemination of propaganda literature of a national salvation nature, with a view to exhorting the public to support the Government's policy of "National Re-construction through the War of Resistance" and urging them to contribute funds towards the "Winter Garment Collection Movement."

**Distribution**

Commissioner  
D.C. (Divisions)  
D.C. (Crime)  
D.C. (A. & T.R.)  
D.C. (Specials)  
A.C. (Traffic)  
D.O.s

D.D.O.s  
O i/c Districts  
Reserve Unit  
British Military  
U.S. Marine Corps  
Italian Marines  
French Police

SECRET & CONFIDENTIAL

September 12, 1940.

Divisional Memo No. 338

Divisional Officers  
D.D.O's (for information)

Precautionary Measures to be adopted

Wednesday, September 18, 1940.

Anniversary of the Occupation of Manchukuo  
by Japan.

1. Barricade Southern and Western Boundaries of the Settlement.

Transport for knife rests unnecessary as they are already in position.

2. All intersections will be barricaded with the exception of the following roads where barrier search parties, with Military support, will start to operate at 5 a.m. September 18.

BARRIER  
SEARCHES:

S.V.C. SECTOR

1. The Bund/Avenue Edward VII
2. Szechuen Road/ " "
3. Honan Road/ " "
4. Fokien Road/ " "
5. Chekiang Road/ " "
6. Yu Ya Ching Road/ " "

AMERICAN SECTOR

7. Mohawk Road/Avenue Edward VII
8. Yates Road/Avenue Foch
9. Seymour Road/ " "
10. Weihaiwei Road/ " "

FILE

FORMER BRITISH SECTOR (CONT:) (Police only)

16. Yu Yuen Road/St. Georges
17. Yu Yuen Road/Jessfield Road.

ITALIAN SECTOR

18. Avenue Road/Jessfield Road
19. Kiaochow Road/Sinza Road
20. Connaught Road/Yenping Road
21. Kiaochow Road/Singapore Road

TRAFFIC :

3. A.C. (Traffic) in conjunction with Divisional Officers will plan amendment or curtailment of public transport routes and notify the companies concerned.

MOBILE  
PATROLS :

4. Police mobile and foot patrols will operate on Outside Roads between the Western Boundary of the Settlement and the Railway line from 5 a.m. September 18.

SEARCH OF  
VEHICLES &  
PEDESTRIANS :

5. All vehicular and pedestrian traffic will be subject to search on suspicion only, but discretion will be used in regard to all nationals with extra-territorial rights, who will not be searched except in exceptional instances. Particular attention is to be paid to the searching of hire cars, all bicycles, rickshas and empty rickshas, parcels with shop wrappers, vegetable baskets, and school boys' satchels.

CLOSURE OF  
ROADS &  
ALLEYWAYS :

6. All roads, alleyways and intersections with exception of the main arteries before enumerated will be closed from Midnight, September 17/18. These roads will again be opened as circumstances permit.

SUSPECTS &  
BAD CHARACTERS :

7. Commencing from 6 p.m. September 12, internal Search Parties consisting of all available uniform officers and detectives (including Headquarters details) will round up and detain in Stations all known suspects, loiterers, persons found in hotels,

tea-shops, lodging houses, etc., who fail to give a satisfactory account to the Police of their presence in the Settlement. Suspects arrested will be released at the discretion of Divisional Officers.

Details regarding personnel engaged on Staff duties available for this work will be notified separately.

SOOCHOW  
CREEK &  
BUND :

8. Strong patrols will be posted on all bridges that are open over the Soochow Creek, and special attention will be given to the searching of persons entering the Settlement by way of the Bund and Soochow Creek.

BRIDGES  
CLOSED :

9. The following bridges will be closed to all traffic:
1. Markham Road
  2. Woodhien Road
  3. Stone Bridge
  4. Shanse Road
  5. Kiangse Road

The S.V.C. and Defence Forces are posting guards on the following bridges from 5 a.m. September 18, and all vehicles proceeding over these bridges will be subject to inspection :-

1. Garden Bridge
2. Chapoo Road Bridge
3. Szechuen Road Bridge
4. Ichang Road Bridge

BRIDGES  
OPEN :

Fokien Road Bridge will be open for pedestrian traffic only.

The following bridges will remain fully open :-

- Honan Road  
Chekiang Road  
Yu Ya Ching Road

WESTERN  
WILL  
DISTRICT :

10. Special protection will be afforded to Japanese Mills and Japanese Mill Quarters in Footoo Road

and Gordon Road Districts, in conjunction with the U.S. Marines and Royal Italian Marines. D.O. "B" will make the detailed arrangements with the U.S. Marines and Royal Italian Marines.

PATROLS  
MILITARY :

11. The cooperation of the United States Marine Corps, the Royal Italian Marines, the S.V.C. and the French Police, has been requested, and the maximum number of special patrols for internal security is being supplied by the Military and S.V.C.

RESERVE  
UNITS :

12. Reserve Unit will 'stand-by' complete from 6 p.m. September 17, 1 Unit at Louza and 1 Unit at Gordon Road, for instant action when and where necessary.

MILITARY  
PATROLS  
"A" DIV :

13. The S.V.C. Russian Regiment is supplying foot patrols from 5 a.m. September 18, as under :
1. Avenue Edward VII between S.V.C. Posts.
  2. Nanking Road from the Bund to Yu Ya Ching Road.

14. The S.V.C. are supplying two mobile patrols for Foochow/Yu Ya Ching/Peking Roads from 5 a.m. to Stand-Down September 18.

CYCLE  
PATROLS  
"B" DIV :

15. Extensive cycle patrols will be used, and all bicycles at Stations and the Stores will be requisitioned for this purpose.

JAPANESE  
SUBJECTS :

16. Warning is being issued through the Japanese Authorities for Japanese residents to remain North of the Creek as far as possible during the emergency period.

POLICE  
SPECIALS :

17. The S.M.P. (Specials) will be mobilised from 6 p.m. to Curfew on September 17, and from 6 p.m. until 'Stand-Down' on September 18, and posted to their regular Stations. Officers in charge of Districts will make the necessary arrangements regarding duties and for the accommodation of the Specials in regard to meals etc.

S.V.C.

18. The S.V.C. will be on "Precaution" and a reserve will be available at short notice at S.V.C. Headquarters, from 5 a.m. September 18.

CURFEW :

19. Curfew will be strictly enforced on the night of September 17/18. All foreign and Chinese cabarets and places of amusement will be so informed. Curfew Passes found in possession of persons who are abusing the privilege will be confiscated and forwarded to P.A. (Crime) together with a note of the circumstances.
20. Permission to hold meetings between September 15 and September 20 (both dates inclusive) will not be granted by the Special Branch.

STAND-DOWN

21. Stand-Down will be ordered when the situation warrants.
- Transport for knife rests (if required) will be arranged through Headquarters when 'Stand-Down' is ordered.

*H. Robertson*

D.C. (Divisions)

DISTRIBUTION

C.P.  
D.C. (CRIME)  
D.C. (SPECIAL BRANCH)  
S.D.C. (11)  
D.C. (CHINESE)  
D.C. (FOR. BR. II)  
D.C. (A. & T.R.)  
D.C. (SIKHS)  
D.C. (SPECIALS) (2)  
A.C. (TRAFFIC)  
Stations  
Senior Detectives  
Quartermaster  
Reserve Unit  
Training Depot

Transport Office  
Liaison Officer (Legal Dept.)  
Judicial Police  
C.C.R.  
Governor of Gaol

COPIES FOR INFORMATION OF :

Commandant, S.V.C.  
H.B.M. Consul General  
Senior British Naval Officer  
O.C. U.S. Marine Corps (2) (1 copy for American Consul General)  
O.C. Royal Italian Marine Corps  
Commandant French Police (2)  
Secretary S.M.C. (2) (1 copy for Chairman S.M.C.)

CGK/.

**CONFIDENTIAL**

CONFIDENTIAL POLICE  
373  
4 10 110

**SPECIAL BRANCH, S.M.P.**

**September 14, 1940**

**Anniversary of the Occupation of Manchuria by  
Japan (1931) - September 18**

There is as yet no indication that local radical elements will take advantage of this anniversary to carry out an organized propaganda campaign and/or demonstration.

Enquiries among public bodies, refugee camps and schools ascertained that they will not hold any meetings or undertake any other form of activity. Local theatres, amusement houses, including the Roof Gardens of the four Department Stores on Nanking Road, intend closing on September 18, as they have done on previous occasions, while schools, factories and commercial concerns will carry on as usual.

It is probable that supporters of the Kuomintang will observe the anniversary by resorting to surreptitious dissemination of propaganda literature of a national salvation nature, with a view to exhorting the public to support the Government's policy of "National Re-construction through the War of Resistance" and urging them to contribute funds towards the "Winter Garment Collection Movement."

**Distribution**

Commissioner	D.D.O.s
D.C. (Divisions)	O i/c Districts
D.C. (Crime)	Reserve Unit
D.C. (A. & T.R.)	British Military
D.C. (Specials)	U.S. Marine Corps
A.C. (Traffic)	Italian Marines
D.O.s	French Police

**CONFIDENTIAL**

**SPECIAL BRANCH, S.M.P.**

**September 14, 1940**

**Anniversary of the Occupation of Manchuria by  
Japan (1931) - September 18**

There is as yet no indication that local radical elements will take advantage of this anniversary to carry out an organized propaganda campaign and/or demonstration.

Enquiries among public bodies, refugee camps and schools ascertained that they will not hold any meetings or undertake any other form of activity. Local theatres, amusement houses, including the Roof Gardens of the four Department Stores on Nanking Road, intend closing on September 18, as they have done on previous occasions, while schools, factories and commercial concerns will carry on as usual.

It is probable that supporters of the Kuomintang will observe the anniversary by resorting to surreptitious dissemination of propaganda literature of a national salvation nature, with a view to exhorting the public to support the Government's policy of "National Re-construction through the War of Resistance" and urging them to contribute funds towards the "Winter Garment Collection Movement."

**Distribution**

Commissioner	D.D.O.s
D.C. (Divisions)	O i/c Districts
D.C. (Crime)	Reserve Unit
D.C. (A. & T.R.)	British Military
D.C. (Specials)	U.S. Marine Corps
A.C. (Traffic)	Italian Marines
D.O.s	French Police

**CONFIDENTIAL**

SPECIAL BRANCH, S.M.P.

September 14, 1940

Anniversary of the Occupation of Manchuria by  
Japan (1931) - September 18

There is as yet no indication that local radical elements will take advantage of this anniversary to carry out an organized propaganda campaign and/or demonstration.

Enquiries among public bodies, refugee camps and schools ascertained that they will not hold any meetings or undertake any other form of activity. Local theatres, amusement houses, including the Roof Gardens of the four Department Stores on Nanking Road, intend closing on September 18, as they have done on previous occasions, while schools, factories and commercial concerns will carry on as usual.

It is probable that supporters of the Kuomintang will observe the anniversary by resorting to surreptitious dissemination of propaganda literature of a national salvation nature, with a view to exhorting the public to support the Government's policy of "National Re-construction through the War of Resistance" and urging them to contribute funds towards the "Winter Garment Collection Movement."

Distribution

Commissioner  
D.O. (Divisions)  
D.O. (Crime)  
D.O. (A. & F.R.)  
D.O. (Specials)  
A.O. (Traffic)  
D.O.s

D.D.O.s  
O 1/c Districts  
Reserve Unit  
British Military  
U.S. Marine Corps  
Italian Marines  
French Police